Encouragement to Small Units in Exports

*749. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:
SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to encourage small units in the country to export their products;

(b) if so, the details of incentives Government propose to give to the small units to boost exports;

(c) whether the medium and big scale units are posing danger on the export activities of small scale units; and

(d) the steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Extra weightage is given on NFE or f.o.b. earned by the export of products manufactured by Small Scale Industries, Sports Goods, Handlooms and Handicrafts Sector, including Hand-Knotted carpets and silk products, while considering the eligibility of exporters to be recognised as Export House, Trading House, Star Trading House and Super Star Trading House. On attaining the status, such Houses are eligible for the grant of Special Import Licence (SIL) for import of items as given in Appn. XXXV of the Hand-Book of Procedures, Vol.I(RE:April, 95) and other benefits. As per new provisions introduced in the revised edition of Hand-Book of Procedures announced on 30.4.95, 1 per cent extra SIL is permitted to exporters exporting goods manufactured by SSI(Handloom and Handicrafts products including hand-knotted carpets, silk products and sports goods, provided export of these products is more than 50 per cent of their total exports.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

साउथ ईस्टर्न कोलफील्ड्स द्वारा बिलासपुर में अस्पताल का निर्माण

*750. **श्री लक्खीराम अग्रवाल** : क्या **कोयला** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या साउथ ईस्टर्न कोलफील्ड्स मुख्यालय द्वारा बिलासपुर, मध्य प्रदेश में एक बड़े अस्पताल का निर्माण करने की योजना है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो निर्माण कार्य कब तक प्रारंभ हो जाने की संभावना है ?

कोयला मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री अजित कुमार पांजा) : (क) जी, हां । एक 200 बिस्तर वाले बहु-विशेषज्ञता प्राप्त अस्पताल की स्वीकृति दे दी गई है।

(ख) इस अस्पताल का निर्माण कार्य पहले ही जनवरी, 1994 में शुरु कर दिया गया है ।

Removal of Unemployment

*751. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently formulated any new programmes/concrete schemes to implement Prime Minister's new slogan for the country "BEKARI HATAO' as reported in the 'Hindustan Times' dated 6-5-95;

(b) whether Government have so far taken up the matter with organised private sector to create substantial employment in the light of economic liberalisation, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government's targets for generating emlpoyment during the Eighth Five Year Plan period is being achieved, if, so, to what extent and if not, the reasons therefor, indicating what steps are being taken in this regard during the formulation of 9th Five Year Plan period?